



CHARLETON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Friday 24th April 2026

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the Summer Term! We hope you all had a wonderful Easter holiday and enjoyed some well-earned rest with family and friends.

It has been lovely to begin the term with Forest School this week. Although the sunshine made a welcome appearance, it was a little on the windy side! The children thoroughly enjoyed being outdoors and embracing the fresh start to the term.

Across the school, pupils have settled quickly back into routines and have been busy making a strong start to their new units of learning. A special mention must go to our Year 6 children, who have returned with a positive and determined attitude as they begin their final push towards SATs. Thank you to the parents who were able to join us for the parent workshop. We hope you found it useful.

We look forward to welcoming you to our first **Praise Worship** on **Monday at 2:50pm**, where we will celebrate our **Stars of the Week** and recognise the children's achievements.

We are very much looking forward to an exciting and productive term ahead.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Ruston

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 28th April- Tempest Class photo's

Monday 4th May- Bank holiday

Wednesday 6th May- Forest School Parents welcome

Monday 11th May- Year 6 SATS week

Wednesday 20th May- Forest School

Monday 25th May- Half term

Monday 1st June- Start of term

Wednesday 10th June- Forest School

Monday 15th June- Poetry performance for parents

Tuesday 16th June- Great Science share

Wednesday 24th June- Forest School

Thursday 2nd July- Year 6 transition day

Wednesday 8th July- Forest School

Tuesday 14th July- Play performance (day and evening performance)

Monday 20th July- Leavers service 2pm

Wednesday 22nd July- Last day of term

Library Visit – Summer Term

We are excited to share that we are planning a trip to the library during the summer term. As part of this visit, **every child will receive a free library card** to use for borrowing books.

To set this up, we just need a section of a permission form to be signed by parents or carers. The forms are kept in school, so please **ask a member of staff** if you would like to take one home, or you are welcome to **sign the form in school** instead.

We are looking forward to a wonderful visit that encourages a love of reading!

Cooking club

Cooking club is now available to sign up to on your child's MCAS, please note that next week this club will run on Tuesday and revert back to Wednesdays for the following weeks.

Start Point (Reception – Year 2)

We have had a lovely first week back as we began the summer term. Despite a very windy Forest School session on Wednesday, the children thoroughly enjoyed being outdoors. They made colourful flags using sticks they found, went on an exciting bug hunt using magnifying glasses, and loved spending time in the field as musicians.

In Music this week, the children became composers, creating their own pieces of music using a range of instruments including violins, steel pans and keyboards. It was wonderful to see their creativity and confidence grow.

As Scientists, we explored seeds inside fruits and vegetables. The children investigated where seeds are found, discussed why plants have seeds, and learned about their purpose in helping plants grow.

In Mathematics, we have started learning about statistics. The children were introduced to tally charts and enjoyed collecting and recording simple data.

It has been a positive and engaging start to the term, and we are looking forward to the learning ahead.



Croft (Year 3 -Year 6)



Croft class have certainly come back energised and ready for Summer Term after Easter break. We have been very busy this week getting back into the swing of things, in English we have been looking at grammatical skills such as relative clauses and conjunctions. We have thought about how to use these effectively in our writing to add information and improve cohesion.

In Maths Year 6 have been exploring specific topics to help with SATs preparation such as coordinates and multi-step questions. The homework packs sent home before Easter are to be ongoing up until SATs so no need to hand these in. Year 5 have been looking at reading and interpreting data on timetables and tables. Year 3 have been beginning to explore Fractions, starting with understanding the difference between the numerator and the denominator.

In Design & Technology we have been learning about frame structures: how they are joined; what makes them stable and how we can design and make a frame structure of our own. We made children's toys using what we had learnt.



Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

	Star of the Week 	Value of the Week 
Start Point (Year R- Year 2)	<p>Effie for making great improvements in writing and showing excellent independence and maturity when completing written work.</p>	<p>Rupert for consistently showing responsibility by looking after classroom resources, completing work independently, and being a positive role model to others</p>
Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)	<p>Rocco For always listening well in class and putting his hand up in every subject, demonstrating a positive attitude to his learning.</p>	<p>Luella for showing the value friendship in class by working collaboratively with her partner and explaining the work to them when they needed help.</p>

Attendance


How close is your child to 100% attendance?

Number of days off school a year	Percentage attendance	Number of lessons missed	Level of concern
0 days	100%	0	Perfection
2 days	99%	10 lessons	Excellent
5 days	97%	25 lessons	Good
10 days	95%	50 lessons	Slight concern
20 days	90%	100 lessons	Concern
30 days	85%	150 lessons	Significant concern

The attendance this week can be seen on the table below.

Whole school attendance (Target 98%)	95.3%
Start Point (Year R- Year 2)	94.2%
Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)	96%

Home learning

Start Point (Year R- Year 2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spellings to practice at home - Reading
Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rollama – Spelling & Grammar website - Reading at least 4 times each week. - Times Tables Rockstars.  - Spellings. - Year 6 have CPG books, also question/activity packs for Maths and Spelling & Grammar sent home.